

HOUSE BILL 2359
By Bone

AN ACT to amend Chapter 644 of the Private Acts of 1911; as amended by Chapter 685 of the Private Acts of 1929; Chapter 158 of the Private Acts of 1943; Chapter 176 of the Private Acts of 1961; Chapter 60 of the Private Acts of 1985; Chapter 120 of the Private Acts of 1991 and Chapter 185 of the Private Acts of 1994; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to elections in the city of Lebanon.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Article III, Section 1 of Chapter 644 of the Private Acts of 1911; as amended by Chapter 685 of the Private Acts of 1929; Chapter 158 of the Private Acts of 1943; Chapter 176 of the Private Acts of 1961; Chapter 60 of the Private Acts of 1985; Chapter 120 of the Private Acts of 1991 and Chapter 185 of the Private Acts of 1994; and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated paragraph in such section:

Beginning in 2006, and every two (2) years thereafter, the city election shall be conducted on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, to coincide with the state and federal elections. In order to effectuate the change in election dates from October of odd-numbered years to November of even-numbered years the terms of office for officials elected in October 2001, whose terms of office are scheduled to expire October 2005, shall be extended until November 2006, and the terms of office of officials elected in October 2003, whose terms of office are scheduled to expire October 2007, shall be extended until November 2008. The Mayor and Aldermen shall continue to be elected to four (4) year terms following the extended terms provided for by this act.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of the city of Lebanon. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 2.